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SUBJ: CIVAIR - ATLANTA ROUTE REQUEST

REF: NASSAU 163, 255, STATE 25804

1. RATHER THAN RESPONDING FORMALLY TO GCOB NOTE AT THIS TIME, DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS EMBASSY RESPOND ORALLY (OR BY AIDE MEMOIRE) IN ATTEMPT DISSUADE BAHAMAS FROM PURSUING ITS REQUEST FOR ROUTE TO ATLANTA AT THIS TIME. EMBASSY MAY DRAW ON FOLLOWING:

A. AT PRESENT TIME, NO US AIRLINE IS AUTHORIZED BY CAB TO OPERATE DIRECTLY BETWEEN ATLANTA AND BAHAMAS AND THERE IS NO NEAR-TERM PROSPECT OF SUCH AUTHORIZATION. US AUTHORITIES ARE NOT LIKELY TO GRANT SUCH ACCESS TO A FOREIGN AIRLINE SINCE IT WOULD ONLY DIVERT TRAFFIC FROM US AIRLINES OPERATING TO BAHAMAS WITHOUT ANY COMPENSATING BENEFIT TO US.

B. IN REGARD AIR JAMAICA CASE, GRANT OF ACCESS TO
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CHICAGO AND DETROIT WAS NOT MADE IN ISOLATION AS A

UNILATERAL GRANT TO JAMAICA, BUT WAS PART OF A PACKAGE ROUTE SETTLEMENT IN US-JAMAICA, AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT. IT IS ALSO INCORRECT THAT NO US AIRLINE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED OPERATE CHICAGO-JAMAICA. PAN AM IS SO AUTHORIZED.

C. IT IS NOT USG PRACTICE TO GRANT ROUTE RIGHTS SO THAT A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT CAN SUBSEQUENTLY ANALYZE WHETHER MARKET WARRANTS SERVICE. NORMALLY, ONE OF CRITERION USED IN GRANTING ROUTES IS ECONOMIC JUSTIFICATION. FYI. GCOB MAY BE SEEKING HUNTING LICENSE SO THAT ROUTE CAN BE AWARDED AT LATER DATE, PERHAPS TO AN AIRLINE WHICH WOULD MOUNT ATLANTA-EUROPE SERVICE VIA NASSAU. NO US AIRLINE CAN OPERAE ATLANTA-EUROPE. END FYI.

D. PRECARIOUS CONDITION SOME US AIRLINE, AS WELL AS UNCERTAINTIES CAUSED BY COST CONSEQUENCES OF FUEL SHORTAGES, MAKE IT INADVISABLE AT THIS TIME FOR US TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL INTERNATIONAL ROUTES. IN BRIEF, CLIMATE FOR SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION OF GCOB REQUEST IS NOT GOOD. CASEY

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